

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS*[English]***Purchase of films by Doordarshan*****555 PROF K V THOMAS****SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI****Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state**

(a) whether the Doordarshan has been buying films from foreign based companies

(b) if so, the details thereof

(c) whether any foreign films have been imported in contravention of the guidelines laid down for the purpose

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRJA VYAS)

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir During 1991-92 Doordarshan purchased the telecast rights for two films "The Garden of Allah" and "The wild Heart" from M/s fairmont International Pvt Singapore

(c) No Sir

(d) Does not arise

Power Breakdown in Northern States***557 SHRI V SREENIVASA****PRASAD****SHRI M V CHAN****DRASEKHARA MUR****THY****Will the Minister of POWER AND NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state**

(a) whether a major power breakdown

occurred in the Northern States recently

(b) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to prevent the recurrence of such breakdowns in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATH RAI) (a) Two major grid disturbances occurred recently in the Northern Regional Power System, on 9th March, 1992 and 31st March, 1992 resulting in failure of power supply in most of the constituent systems of the Northern Region

(b) The grid disturbance of 9th March 1992 was apparently caused due to heavy power oscillations in the system due to a fault in the 400 KV Switchyard of Ampara Thermal Power Station of Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board. The Grid Disturbance of 31st March 1992 appears to have been caused by a fault close to Anpara 400 KV Switchyard during thunderstorm and lightning at the time of occurrence

(c) A Committee has been constituted to enquire into the causes of the incidents and to suggest remedial measures

*[Translation]***Ganga Barrage in Kanpur*****562 SHRI KESRI LAL****SHRI SURESHANAND****SWAMI****Will the Minister of WATER RE SOURCES be pleased to state**

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has since submitted to the Union Government the modified project report on the Ganga barrage project in Kanpur